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## EDUCATION BACKGROUND

- 01/2025- **Ecole Polytechnique, Paris, France**
- PhD student
- 10/2020-05/2024 **Swiss Federal Institute of Technology (ETH Zurich), Zurich, Switzerland**
- Master in **Electrical Engineering and Information Technology**
  - GPA: 5.616/6.0
- 10/2019-04/2020 **Technical University of Munich (TUM), Munich, Germany**
- Exchange Program in **Electrical and Computer Engineering**
  - GPA: 4.0/4.0 (1.0/1.0)
- 09/2016-06/2020 **Beihang University (BUAA), Beijing, China**
- Bachelor of Engineering in **Electrical Engineering**
  - GPA: 3.762/4.0 (90.73/100)

## INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

- 07/2024-11/2024 Research Intern at **01.ai**, (remote)
- 10/2023-07/2024 Research Assistant at **University of Texas at Austin**, (remote)
- with Prof. Qiang Liu
- 06/2020-10/2020 Teaching Assistant at **Beihang University**, (remote)
- Summer School

**RESEARCH INTERESTS** **Computer Vision and Generative Models:** Diffusion Models; Efficient Generative Models; Multi-model Generation; Conditional Generation and Image Restoration

## PUBLICATIONS ([google scholar](#))

- [1] **Yuanzhi Zhu**, Xi Wang, Stéphane Lathuilière, Vicky Kalogeiton. [Di\[M\]O: Distilling Masked Diffusion Models into One-step Generator](#), *ICCV* (2025)
- [2] **Yuanzhi Zhu**, Ruiqing Wang, Shilin Lu, Junnan Li, Hanshu Yan, Kai Zhang. [OFTSR: One-Step Flow for Image Super-Resolution with Tunable Fidelity-Realism Trade-offs](#), *Arxiv* (2024)
- [3] **Yuanzhi Zhu**, Xingchao Liu, Qiang Liu. [SlimFlow: Training Smaller One-Step Diffusion Models with Rectified Flow](#), *ECCV* (2024)
- [4] **Yuanzhi Zhu**, Kai Zhang, Jingyun Liang, Jie Zhang Cao, Bihan Wen, Radu Timofte, Luc Van Gool. [Denoising Diffusion Models for Plug-and-Play Image Restoration](#), *CVPRW* (2023) (70+ citations & 300+ [GitHub](#) stars)
- [5] Jun Ma, **Yuanzhi Zhu**, Chenyu You, Bo Wang. [Pre-trained Diffusion Models for Plug-and-Play Medical Image Enhancement](#), *MICCAI* (2023)
- [6] Zixiang Zhao, Haowen Bai, **Yuanzhi Zhu**, Jianshe Zhang, Shuang Xu, Yulun Zhang, Kai Zhang, Deyu Meng, Radu Timofte, Luc Van Gool. [DDFM: Denoising Diffusion Model for Multi-Modality Image Fusion](#), *ICCV oral* (2023)
- [7] Zhizhong Zhang\*, **Yuanzhi Zhu\***, Yue Zhang, Weisheng Zhao, et al. [Skyrmion-based Ultra-low Power Electric-field-controlled Reconfigurable \(SUPER\) Logic Gate](#), *IEEE Electron Device Letters* (Published as cover in 2019) (\* These authors contributed equally to this work)
- [8] Hayato Mizuno, Hironari Isshiki, Kouta Kondou, **Yuanzhi Zhu**, and Yoshichika Otani. [Influence of Planar Hall Effect on the Output signal in a T-shaped Spin Conversion Device](#), *Appl. Phys. Lett.* 119, 092401 (2021)

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCES

- 03/2023-09/2023 **Text-driven NeRF Editing with Diffusion Models (5.75/6)**, Supervisor: Prof. Siyu Tang; VLG, ETH Zurich Advisor: Dr. Anpei Chen
- Investigated NeRF generation/editing framework that bypasses the need for extensive 3D data and instead utilizes 2D generative prior
  - Studied algorithms such as Score Distillation Sampling (SDS) and Variational Score Distillation (VSD) and proposed a better explanation of how they work
  - Apply several 2D editing approaches to NeRF editing

- 05/2022-02/2023 **Denoising Diffusion Models for Plug-and-Play Image Restoration (5.75/6)**, *Supervisor: Prof. CVL, ETH zurich* Luc Van Gool; *Advisor: Dr. Kai Zhang, Jingyun Liang, Jiezhong Cao*
- Investigated general image restoration tasks with score-based diffusion models
  - Combined the diffusion sampling algorithm (e.g. DDIM) with Half-Quadratic Splitting (HQS) algorithm for conditional generation with less than 100 sampling steps
  - Image restoration with details for severely ill-posed image restoration tasks, including image inpainting, image deblurring and super resolution
- 10/2021-03/2022 **Using Affordances to Understand Fan-Idol Interaction on Social Media (5.5/6)**, *Supervisor: Prof. Roger Wattenhofer; Advisor: Dr. Ye Wang*
- Collected data from the social medias using Python
  - Pre-processed all the data collected and using several natural language models together with word embeddings for sentiment analysis of the posts from idols
  - Designed an interview protocol and conducted interviews with fans of SNH48
- 07/2019-10/2019 **Logic Device based on Inverse Spin Hall Effect (ISHE)**, *Supervisor: Prof. Yoshichika Otani* University of Tokyo
- Studied and used the spin transport property in different materials to get a clear Inverse Spin Hall Effect signal
  - Built a model using OOMMF and GetDP to study the magnetization reversal and spin transport property of different material with complex structure
  - Utilized the ISHE to propose logic device, performed current and harvested the logic output like 0 and 1 based on the magnetization direction of the ferromagnetic layer
- 08/2017-06/2019 **Skyrmion-based Ultra-low Power Electric-field-controlled Reconfigurable (SUPER) Logic Gate**, *Supervisor: Prof. Yue Zhang* Beijing Advanced Innovation Center for Big Data and Brain Computing (BDBC)
- Proposed a novel designed skyrmion-based logic gate for high-performance computing, and extended it for ultra-low power parallel computing and brain-like computing
  - Introduced artificial fishtail-shaped hollows for implementing skyrmion divisions, and performed micro-magnetic simulations to validate the logic operations and divisions
  - Enabled re-configurable logic operations including AND, OR, XOR, NOR, NAND to be implemented in single logic gate by leveraging Voltage-Controlled Magnetic Anisotropy (VCMA) effect

## SELECTED HONORS & AWARDS

- 11/2018,11/2019 Academic Competition Scholarship, Beihang University (Twice)
- 11/2018,11/2019 Academic Excellence Scholarship, Beihang University (Twice)
- 09/2017, 09/2018 Second Prize in China Undergraduate Mathematical Contest in Model (Twice)
- 03/2018 China Undergraduate Physics Tournament (CUPT) (Ranked 47/305)
- 02/2018 Meritorious Winner in The Mathematical Contest in Modeling
- 12/2017 First Prize in Beijing Undergraduate Physics Competition (Ranked 59/1023, Beijing)
- 10/2017 First-Class Scholarship, Beihang University
- 09/2017 First Prize in Beijing Undergraduate Mathematics Competition (Ranked 87/1276, Beijing)

## SOCIAL PRACTICES & EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- 09/2016-05/2018 **Public Relations Department, Beihang Student Union**
- Responsible for seeking sponsorship for campus events
  - Organized a campus ball, and handled supplies purchase and the on-spot coordination
- 08/2018 **Aerospace Information Co., Ltd.**
- Investigated the impact of emerging technology companies on tax policy
  - Studied technology companies' business philosophy and key technologies
- 07/2017-08/2017 **Practice at Mount. Dadingzi Navigation and Hydroelectric Junction**
- Carried out the research into the operative and navigable situation of the Junction
  - Investigated on the living conditions of residents around the project

**LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY** Chinese (Native); English (C1); German (A2)